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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Applicant respectfully requests that the three-month shortened statutory period for responding to the Office Action be extended by one-month until March 16, 2005. A one-month Petition for Extension of Time is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1509.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 35 of this paper.